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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL MEAT TRADE PROBLEMS

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1. WE HAVE RECEIVED PHONE CALL FROM RAMOS CANTORAL, DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, MEXICAN SECRETARIAT OF AGRICULTURE, ADVISING THAT HE DISCUSSED WITH MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FOREIGN OFFICE CHANGING WORLD MEAT SITUATION AND BROUGHT UP ADVISABILITY MEXICO APPROACHING EC AND JAPAN AS SUGGESTED IN REFTEL. ACCORDING RAMOS CANTORAL, GOM WILL MAKE FORMAL DIPLOMATIC APPROACHES TO EC AND JAPAN SINCE THEY ARE CONCERNED ABOUT ACTIONS TAKEN BY THESE TWO MAJOR MEAT IMPORTERS ON RESTRICTING MEAT IMPORTS. HE POINTED OUT THAT GOM POLICY IS TO DIVERSIFY EXPORTS AWAY FROM U.S. AND MAJOR EMPHASIS HAS BEEN ON DEVELOPING NEW MARKETS IN EC AND JAPAN. IN FACT, GOM IS COUNTING ON EXPANDED SALES OF BEEF TO EC AND JAPAN AS PART OF THEIR POLICY OF ELIMINATING LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS IN FAVOR OF BEEF.

2. IN ADDITION TO APPROACHING EC AND JAPAN THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS, MEXICAN TRADE MISSIONS HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED TO VISIT THESE AREAS AND THEY WILL BE INSTRUCTED TO RAISE THIS ISSUE DURING THEIR VISITS. JOVA

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